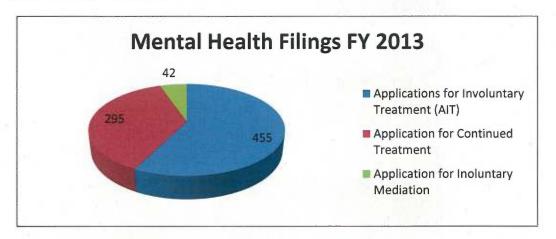
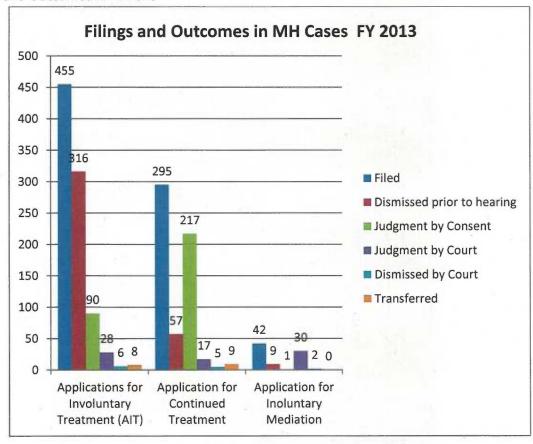
## 1. Mental Health Filings in FY 2013



## 2. Filings and Outcomes in FY 2013



#### 3. Filing Trends in Medication Cases: 2008 – 2013: Calendar Year

DIVISION

Family

CASE TYPE

Mental Health

CASE SUB-TYPE

Involuntary Medication

Cases Filed	CALENDAR YEAR	GP.	ALL IN		S- 1	18-111	
UNIT	2008		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Addison	0		0	0	1	0	0
Chittenden	0		0	0	4	12	13
Lamoille	2		1	0	0	0	14
Orange	0		3	0	1	0	1
Rutland	0		0	0	3	15	15
Washington	24		30	31	27	0	0
Windham	0		0	0	5	18	23
<b>Grand Total</b>	26		34	31	41	45	66

# 154% Increase in Medication filings since 2008

## 4. Causes of Delay in Mental Health Cases

- a. Delays are far more likely in the AIT Process than the AIM process
  - i. Medication Cases: median time to decision is 10 days
  - ii. AIT cases: median time to decision is 40 days
- b. Sources of Delay in AIT cases
  - i. Inability to Schedule Independent Evaluation within 20 day period
  - ii. Inability to get Discovery in a timely fashion medical records from hospital and Community Mental Health Center
  - iii. Request for a Guardian Ad Litem for the Patient
  - iv. Unavailability of a Doctor or a key fact witness
  - v. Stipulated Requests to Continue hearing because a stipulated resolution is in the works

- 5. Changes to the Process in S. 287
  - a. Section 1: AIT Changes: Initial/Preliminary Hearings Required in All AIT cases
    - i. Concept of Probable Cause
    - ii. Probable Cause finding requires a paper review not a hearing
    - iii. Probable Cause by "substantial evidence" is not a recognizable concept
    - iv. Change would require significant additional judge time
  - b. Section 2: Ability to File AIT and AIM at the same time
    - i. Court's position is neutral policy issue
    - ii. Will combining the hearings save court time? Maybe
  - c. Section 3: Expedited AIT hearings in 5 or 10 days
    - i. "Good cause" showing
    - ii. Does this allow sufficient time for adequate discovery?
  - d. Section 4: Ability to file AIT and AIM at the same time